

2023 Polling Place Plan- Howard County Board of Elections

The following entails a synopsis of the current 118 precincts in Howard County, from 2018 until today, minus 2020, as during COVID, we utilized vote centers countywide.

This package is meant to give the Board a complete understanding of where we came from in 2018, to the plan that we are presenting today.

A few overall notes:

- This package would reduce our overall precincts from 118 to 67.
- This package adds **SEVEN (7)** polling places in Howard County from the 2022 elections, from 49 polling places in 2022 to 56 polling places in 2024.
- This would reduce ballot styles in Howard County by 51 styles in a general election and 153 styles in a primary election.
- This package will lessen the burden of the provisional ballot process for both voters and the office by cutting the amount of ballot styles.
- This will make the ballot ordering process much less convoluted and much more streamlined.
- This package will help the judges at polling places and during early voting by reducing ballot styles in centers and polling places, which will severely reduce the probability of a voter receiving the wrong ballot.
- This plan will allow the mail-in ballot process to be much more manageable and streamlined for the staff.
- This plan represents minimal impact to the voters in Howard County, and in most cases where the voter is moving physical polling places, the voter is actually voting at a location closer to their home.
- If available, there is public transportation close to the proposed polling places.

ELECTION DISTRICT 1

District Precinct 1-1

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Elkridge Landing Middle School, along with DP 1-2. This means there were two ballot styles at the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at Elkridge Landing Middle School, but will be merged with 1-13, to make one precinct. This will allow for only one (1) ballot style to be in the polling place.

Total Voters- 4355

District Precinct 1-2

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Elkridge Landing Middle School along with precinct 1-1. This means there were two ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will vote at Elkridge Elementary School. It will be merged with former precincts 1-8 and 1-17 to make one precinct. DPs 1-8 and 1-17 already had voted at this school. This will allow for one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 3440

District Precinct 1-3

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Mayfield Woods Middle School. In 2018 and 2022, this precinct was voting with DPs 1-7 and 1-9. This meant there were three (3) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will vote at Mayfield Woods Middle School. We will take the top half off of DP 1-6, and add it to 1-3 to alleviate the number of voters that currently are in 1-6 (almost 6000.) This means that the precinct line will be altered to accommodate this change. These changes allow for one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 2555 (after moving voters from 1-6)

District Precinct 1-4

History- In 2018, this precinct voted with DP 1-11 at Ilchester Elementary School. In 2022, this precinct voted at Bonnie Branch Middle School with DPs 1-11, 1-19, 1-20, and 2-25. This means there were five (5) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at Bonnie Branch Middle School. It will be merged with DP 1-11 and DP 1-19 to make one precinct. This will allow for one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 4493

District Precinct 1-5

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted with DP 2-16 at Worthington Elementary School. This means there were two (2) ballot styles at the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will vote at Ilchester Elementary School, but will be merged with DP 1-10, which used to vote at Howard High School. This will allow for one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 2350

District Precincts 1-6 and 1-15

History- These precincts have always voted together at Deep Run Elementary School. DP 1-6 will be cut and part of it will be put in 1-3 to alleviate the amount of voters that are going to the school.

Proposal- Outside of removing voters from DP 1-6 and putting them in DP 1-3 (1273 voters), no change for 2024. There will still be two (2) ballot styles at this polling place.

Total Voters- 5539.

District Precinct 1-7

History- This precinct voted with 1-3 and 1-9 at Mayfield Woods Middle School in 2018 and 2022. This means there were always three (3) ballot styles at the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will vote at Bellows Spring Elementary School and will be merged with DP 1-9. This means that there will only be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 3902

District Precinct 1-12

History- This precinct has voted with 1-14 at Rockburn Elementary School for a very long time. There were always two (2) ballot styles at this polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at Rockburn Elementary School, but will be merged with DP 1-14 and DP 1-20. This means there will be one (1) ballot style at this polling place.

Note: DP 1-20 used to vote at Bonnie Branch Middle School, but this polling place is much closer to the voters.

Total Voters- 3434

District Precincts 1-16, 1-18 and 1-21

These precincts voted at Ducketts Lane Elementary School in 2018 and 2022. There were always three (3) ballot styles at this polling place.

Proposal- These precincts will continue to vote at Ducketts Lane Elementary School, however, 1-16 and 1-18 will be merged to make one precinct. This means that there will only be two (2) ballot styles at this polling place moving forward.

Total Voters- 3825

District-Precincts 1-8, 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 1-13, 1-14, 1-16, 1-17, 1-18, 1-19 and 1-20 are all now merged into other District 1 Precincts as prescribed above and will no longer be shown in the list of precincts in Howard County.

Please note: All of these precincts were either formed because of old redistricting cuts that no longer exist, or splits that had to be made because of power restrictions from an old voting system. With a new voting system, and new Congressional, Legislative, and Councilmanic lines in place, these precinct lines have no viable reason to exist.

ELECTION DISTRICT 2

District Precinct 2-1

History: This precinct voted at Park View at Ellicott City in 2018, but after the pandemic, we can no longer utilize this facility as it is a convalescent home, and the polling place can not be utilized in the COVID era, with the unknown of an outbreak, which could affect the ability to use the polling place on very short notice. In 2022, we combined this precinct with 2-12 at the Ellicott City Senior Center.

Proposal- This precinct will be broken back out on its own, and vote at the Roger Carter Community Center, which is a county-owned facility within the precinct. There is some voter impact with this change, as the polling place changes. This precinct will have one (1) ballot style.

Total Voters- 2434.

District Precinct 2-2 and 2-3

History- These precincts have always voted at Ellicott Mills Middle School, including 2018 and 2022. There have always been two ballot styles at this precinct.

Proposal 1- These precincts will stay at Ellicott Mills Middle School. This means that there is zero voter impact, and there will be two (2) ballot styles at this polling place.

Total Voters- 6057

District Precinct 2-4

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Howard High School with DPs 1-10 and 6-10. This means that there were always three (3) ballot styles at this polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at Howard High School, but will now be combined with DPs 6-6 and 6-11. DPs 6-6 and 6-11 voted at Oakland Mills High School in 2022. This will allow the voters from those two precincts to vote closer to home than they originally used to vote. There will continue to be three (3) ballot styles in this polling place.

Total Voters- 4580

District Precinct 2-5

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted in Centennial Lane Elementary School along with DP 2-15. This means that there were two (2) ballot styles at the polling place.

Proposal- DPs 2-5 and 2-15 will be merged together to create one precinct. This precinct will continue to vote at Centennial Lane Elementary School. There will only be one (1) ballot style at the polling place. There is no polling place change with this precinct.

Total Voters- 3237

District Precinct 2-6

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at St. John's Lane Elementary School. In 2018, it was a stand alone polling place, but because of not being able to use the Heartlands due to COVID reasons and policies moving forward, DP 2-9 was combined with it in 2022. This meant that there were two (2) ballot styles in the polling place in 2022.

Proposal- DP 2-6 will be merged with DP 2-18 to make one precinct. DP 2-18 used to vote at Mt. Hebron High School, but because of old lines able to be taken out, the Mt. Hebron polling place was merged with a different precinct. DP 2-6 will continue to vote at St. John's Lane Elementary School. Since there is only one precinct voting here, there will only be one (1) ballot style.

Total Voters- 3927

District Precinct 2-7

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Mt. Hebron High School with DP 2-18. There were two (2) ballot styles at this polling place.

Proposal- DP 2-7 will be merged with DP 2-24 to make one precinct. DP 2-24 used to vote at Patapsco Middle School, out of precinct. By merging these precincts, all voters will be closer to the polling place, and vote in precinct. This precinct will vote at Mt. Hebron High School. There will be one (1) ballot style.

Total Voters- 3288

District Precinct 2-8

History- In 2018, this precinct voted in Hollofield Station Elementary School with DP 2-23. In 2022, this precinct voted with DPs 2-23 and 2-24 in Patapsco Middle School. In 2022, there were three (3) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- DP 2-8 will be merged with DP 2-23 to make one precinct. This precinct will continue to vote at Patapsco Middle School. This allows for the voters to vote closer to their home. There will be one (1) ballot style in this precinct.

Total Voters- 4265

District Precinct 2-9

History- In 2018 this precinct voted at the Heartlands facility (we can no longer use this facility due to policies that we cannot run an election on effectively due to COVID), and in 2022, this precinct voted at St. John's Lane Elementary School with DP 2-6. There were two (2) ballot styles at the precinct.

Proposal- This precinct will be broken out as a stand-alone polling place due to larger voter population and moving the voters closer to home. If left where it voted before, it would drive numbers over 7000 voters in a polling place, which we used a threshold of 6500 for any individual site. This precinct will vote at Hollofield Station Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Voter Count- 3311

District Precinct 2-10

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Centennial High School with DPs 2-17, 2-26, and 3-4. There were five (5) ballot styles in the polling place in 2018, and four (4) ballot styles in 2022.

Please note that in 2018, DP 2-22 was also included in this polling place, but got redistricted out in 2022.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at Centennial High School with DPs 2-17, 2-26 and 3-4. This results in no change for voters. There will continue to be four (4) ballot styles in this polling place.

Voter Count- 5238

District Precinct 2-11

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Waverly Elementary School with DP 2-19. There were two (2) ballot styles at the school.

Proposal- DP 2-11 will be merged with DP 2-19 to make one precinct. The precinct will continue to vote at Waverly Elementary School. This amounts to no voter impact in any way. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Voter Count- 4533

District Precinct 2-12

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at the Ellicott City Senior Center. In 2018, it was a stand-alone, and in 2022, it voted with DP 2-1. In 2022, there were two (2) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at the Ellicott City Senior Center, but DP 2-1 has been broken away from this precinct, meaning that it will once again be a stand-alone precinct with only one (1) ballot style.

Voter Count- 2942

District Precinct 2-13

History- In 2018, this precinct voted with DP 2-14 at Dunloggin Middle School. There were two (2) ballot styles at the school. In 2022, these precincts were joined by DPs 2-20, 2-21, and 2-22, as when redistricting occurred, DP 2-20 was split and a new DP 2-22 had to be created. In 2022, there were five (5) ballot styles in this polling place.

Proposal- DP 2-13 will be merged with 2-14, 2-20, and 2-21 to create one precinct. DP 2-22 will also vote with this precinct at Dunloggin Middle School. There will be two (2) ballot styles in this polling place.

Total Voters- 3431

District Precinct 2-16

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Worthington Elementary School with DP 1-5. There were two (2) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- DP 2-16 and 2-25 will be merged to create one precinct. This will keep voters from each of these old precincts closer to their home to vote, and will provide for only one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 4456

District-Precincts 2-14, 2-15, 2-18, 2-19, 2-20, 2-21, 2-23, 2-24 and 2-25 are all now merged into other District 2 Precincts as prescribed above and will no longer be shown in the list of precincts in Howard County.

Please note: All of these precincts were either formed because of old redistricting cuts that no longer exist, or splits that had to be made because of power restrictions from an old voting system. With a new voting system, and new Congressional, Legislative, and Councilmanic lines in place, these precinct lines have no viable reason to exist.

ELECTION DISTRICT 3

District Precinct 3-1

History- In 2018, DP 3-1 voted at West Friendship Elementary School. At that time, we had talked about moving the election from this installation, as it had poor parking and the building was not in good condition. (Actual words of the people at the school.) There was one ballot style at the polling place. In 2022, we combined DP 3-1 with DP 3-3 and DP 3-6, and these precincts voted at Folly Quarter Middle School. In 2018, DPs 3-3 and 3-6 voted at Manor Woods Elementary and Folly Quarter Middle School, respectively. There were three (3) ballot styles at this polling place.

Proposal- DP 3-1 will be merged with DPs 3-3 and 3-6 to make one precinct. With the advent of an early voting center in the area at Gary J. Arthur Community Center, the volume of voters is drastically cut in this precinct. The voters for this precinct will continue to vote at Folly Quarter Middle School and there will be only one (1) ballot style.

Total Voters- 6363

District Precinct 3-2

In 2018, DP 3-2 voted at Mount View Middle School with DP 3-5. In 2022, we moved both precincts to Marriotts Ridge High School for more space. This was the largest precinct in Howard County. There were two (2) ballot styles in this precinct.

Proposal- This precinct will be moved back to Mount View Middle School and vote as a stand-alone precinct. This polling place will have one (1) ballot style.

Total Voters- 3514

District Precinct 3-4

See District Precinct 2-10.

District Precinct 3-5

In 2018, DP 3-5 voted at Mount View Middle School with DP 3-2. In 2022, we moved both precincts to Marriotts Ridge High School for more room. This was the largest polling place in Howard County and surpasses our 6500 voter threshold moving forward.

Proposal- This precinct will vote at Marriotts Ridge High School as a stand-alone precinct. This polling place will have one (1) ballot style.

Total Voters- 4511

District-Precincts 3-3 and 3-6 are now merged into other District 3 Precincts as prescribed above and will no longer be shown in the list of precincts in Howard County. *Please note: Both of these precincts were formed because of old redistricting cuts that no longer exist, or splits that had to be made because of power restrictions from an old voting system. With a new voting system, and new Congressional, Legislative, and Councilmanic lines in place, these precinct lines have no viable reason to exist.*

ELECTION DISTRICT 4

District Precinct 4-1

In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted with DP 4-5 at St. Michael's Catholic Church. There were two (2) ballot styles in this polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 4-5, which has voted together with this precinct for many years. This precinct will continue to vote at St. Michael's Catholic Church. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 3247

District Precinct 4-2

In 2018, this precinct voted as a stand-alone precinct in Glenelg High School. In 2022, this precinct voted with DP 4-6 in Glenelg High School. With an early voting center in precinct at Gary J. Arthur Community Center, these precincts are impacted by early voting heavily. In 2022, there were two (2) ballot styles in this polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 4-6 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Glenelg High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 4391

District Precinct 4-3

In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Lisbon Elementary School with DP 4-4. There were two (2) ballot styles in the school.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 4-4 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Lisbon Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 4768

District-Precincts 4-4, 4-5 and 4-6 are all now merged into other District 4 Precincts as prescribed above and will no longer be shown in the list of precincts in Howard County. *Please note: All of these precincts were either formed because of old redistricting cuts that no longer exist, or splits that had to be made because of power restrictions from an old voting system. With a new voting system, and new Congressional, Legislative, and Councilmanic lines in place, these precinct lines have no viable reason to exist.*

ELECTION DISTRICT 5

District Precinct 5-1

History- In 2018, this precinct voted with DP 5-22 at Clarksville Middle School. In 2022, this was moved to River Hill High School, and was combined with 5-10. However, this combination now exceeds our 6500 voter threshold moving forward. In both 2018 and 2022, these precincts had two (2) ballot styles in the schools.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with a portion of DP 5-24. (This is being done to alleviate voters at one of our smaller sized places, Schooley Mill Park.) This precinct will vote at Triadelphia Ridge Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this precinct.

Total Voters- 4917

District Precinct 5-2

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted in Longfellow Elementary School with DP 5-14. There were two (2) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 5-14. The voters will all continue to vote at Longfellow Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 1781

District Precinct 5-3 and 5-16

History- In 2018, DP 5-3 voted at Vantage House Retirement Community. Since COVID, we are unable to use this facility due to reasons already stated in this document. In 2018, DP 5-16 voted at Running Brook Elementary School. In 2022, both DP 5-3 and DP 5-16 voted at Running Brook Elementary School. There were two (2) ballot styles in this polling place.

Proposal- No change from 2022. The voters from these precincts will continue to vote at Running Brook Elementary School. There will continue to be two (2) ballot styles in this polling place.

Total Voters- 4767

District Precinct 5-4

History- In 2018, this precinct voted as a stand-alone precinct at Wilde Lake High School. In 2022, this precinct voted at Wilde Lake High School with DP 5-8, which voted in 2018 at Bryant Woods Elementary School. These precincts used to be split by redistricted lines, but after the 2022 redistricting, they are no longer different districts. There were two (2) ballot styles in this polling place in 2022.

Proposal- DP 5-4 and DP 5-8 will be merged to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Wilde Lake High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 5194

District Precinct 5-5

History- In 2018, this precinct voted at Pointers Run Elementary School. In 2022, this precinct voted at Clarksville Middle School along with DP 5-22. Clarksville Middle School and Pointers Run Elementary School are on the same land plot in Howard County. There were two (2) ballot styles in the polling place in 2022.

Proposal- This precinct and DP 5-22 will be merged to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Clarksville Middle School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 6003

District Precinct 5-6

History- In 2018, this precinct voted at Fulton Elementary School. In 2022, this precinct voted at Reservoir High School, along with DP 5-20. Reservoir High School and Fulton Elementary School are on the same plot of land in Howard County. In 2022, there were two ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 5-20 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Reservoir High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 5900

District Precinct 5-7

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Swansfield Elementary School with DP 5-21. This precinct has always had two (2) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 5-21 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Swansfield Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 3924

District Precinct 5-9

History- In 2018, this precinct voted with DP 5-23 at Harper's Choice Middle School. In 2022, this precinct voted at the same location, but DP 5-8 was added to the existing precincts. In 2018, there were two (2) ballot styles, and in 2022, there were three (3) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 5-23 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Harper's Choice Middle School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 3661

District Precinct 5-10

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at River Hill High School. In 2018, it voted as a stand-alone precinct and in 2022, it was combined with 5-1. In 2022, there were two (2) ballot styles in this precinct. Unfortunately, this combination results in too many voters in one polling place and exceeds our 6500 voters or less standard

Proposal- This precinct will be returned to a stand-alone precinct. The voters will continue to vote at River Hill High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 4826

District Precinct 5-11 and 5-24

History- In 2018 and 2022, these precincts voted at Schooley Mill Park. There were two (2) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- To alleviate voter congestion in Schooley Mill Park, a smaller physical site, we split 5-24 to move some voters into 5-1, as previously stated in this document. DP 5-11 and the rest of the split 5-24 will continue to vote at Schooley Mill Park. There will be two (2) ballot styles in the polling place.

Total Voters- 2618

District Precinct 5-12

History- In 2018, this precinct voted at Atholton High School and was combined with DP 5-13 and DP 5-17. In 2022, this precinct continued to vote at Atholton High School, but was combined with two more precincts, DP 5-13 and DP 5-15. In 2018, there were two (2) ballot styles in this polling place and in 2022, there were four (4) ballot styles in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 5-17 and DP 5-18 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Atholton High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this precinct.

Total Voters- 4901

District Precinct 5-13

History- In 2018, this precinct voted at Atholton High School and was combined with DP 5-12 and 5-17. In 2022, DP 5-15 was added to these precincts. In 2022, there were four (4) ballot styles in the polling place. These precincts were broken back out as per the DP 5-12 proposal above and the proposal below to keep the voter totals more manageable.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 5-15 to make one precinct. This precinct will vote at Clemens Crossing Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the precinct.

Total Voters- 4184

District Precinct 5-19

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Dayton Oaks Elementary School. There was one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at Dayton Oaks Elementary School. There will continue to be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 2142

District-Precincts 5-8, 5-14, 5-15, 5-17, 5-18, 5-20, 5-21, 5-22, and 5-23 are all now merged into other District 5 Precincts as prescribed above and will no longer be shown in the list of precincts in Howard County.

Please note: All of these precincts were either formed because of old redistricting cuts that no longer exist, or splits that had to be made because of power restrictions from an old voting system. With a new voting system, and new Congressional, Legislative, and Councilmanic lines in place, these precinct lines have no viable reason to exist.

ELECTION DISTRICT 6

District Precinct 6-1

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Forest Ridge Elementary School. There were two (2) ballot styles in the school for both these election cycles. For further history, this precinct has been displaced over the years after not being able to use the Savage Volunteer Fire Department. Our proposal puts these voters much closer to their home to vote.

Proposal- This precinct will be combined with DP 6-33 to make one precinct. This precinct will vote at Patuxent Valley Middle School. The voters from old precinct 6-33 have always voted at PVMS. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 4038

District Precinct 6-2

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Hope Baptist Church. The church hall was downstairs, and was hard to get the voter traffic in and out. It also was not very big, and didn't have many power outlets that could be used when trying to maximize voter flow.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-24 to make one precinct. The voters from 6-24, because of the shifting of polling places over the years in the Laurel Area, had to go to Murray Hill Middle School, but Forest Ridge Elementary is much closer. This precinct will vote at Forest Ridge Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this precinct.

Total Voters- 5442

District Precinct 6-3

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Hammond Middle School. In 2018, it was combined with DP 6-25, and in 2022, due to construction at Hammond High School, we had to move DP 6-18, DP 6-23, and DP 6-26 to Hammond Middle School along with the aforementioned precincts. In 2022, there were five (5) ballot styles. This was a very large polling place that is going to be broken into three different polling places in this plan.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-25 to make one precinct. This precinct will continue to vote at Hammond Middle School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 2350

District Precinct 6-4

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Atholton Elementary School. This polling place had one (1) ballot style.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-18 to make one precinct. This precinct will continue to vote at Atholton Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 3772

District Precinct 6-5

History- In 2018, this precinct voted at Oakland Mills Middle School. In 2022, this precinct was moved to Oakland Mills High School and combined with several other DPs, including DP 6-6, DP 6-8, DP 6-9, and DP 6-11. In 2022, there were five (5) ballot styles in this polling place. This large polling place has been broken into three separate polling places for 2024.

Proposal- This precinct will be combined with DP 6-8 and DP 6-9 to make one precinct. This precinct will continue to vote at Oakland Mills High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 4904

District Precinct 6-6

History- In 2018, this precinct voted at Thunder Hill Elementary School. In 2022, it was split due to redistricting, and the portion that stayed DP 6-6 was added to Oakland Mills High School. For this plan, this precinct was split back out of Oakland Mills High School.

Proposal- This precinct will be combined with DP 6-10 to make one precinct. This precinct will vote at Howard High School, along with DP 2-4 and DP 6-11. There will be four (4) ballot styles in this polling place.

Total Voters- 4580

District Precinct 6-7

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Ridgely's Run Community Center with DP 6-30. There were two (2) ballot styles in the polling place both years.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-30 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Ridgely's Run Community Center. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 3038

District Precinct 6-11

See DP 2-4 or DP 6-6.

District Precinct 6-12

History- In 2018, this precinct voted at Lake Elkhorn Middle School along with DP 6-22. In 2022, DP 6-17 was added to these precincts from 0.2 miles away at Owen Brown Place. Owen Brown Place could no longer be used because of facility issues. In 2022, there were three (3) ballot styles in this polling place.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-17 and DP 6-22 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Lake Elkhorn Middle School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 4814

District Precinct 6-13

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Guilford Elementary School with DP 6-19. There were two ballot styles in the school each election. Also, DP 6-19 was part of the redistricted sections in the latest redistricting process.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-19 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Guilford Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 3901

District Precinct 6-14

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Phelps Luck Elementary School along with DP 6-16. There were two (2) ballot styles in the school for each election.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-16 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Phelps Luck Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the polling place.

Total Voters- 4077

District Precinct 6-15

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Laurel Woods Elementary School with DP 6-34. In both elections, there were two (2) ballot styles in the school.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-34. The voters will continue to vote at Laurel Woods Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 3998

District Precinct 6-20

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Patuxent Valley Middle School with DP 6-33. Because of splits due to the old voting system and not wanting to displace voters, this precinct stayed here to vote instead of moving 6-1 back to Savage when the SAVAGE Fire Hall was lost. The long term commitment from the office was to get the voters back closer to their homes in this area. With the proposal below, and moving 6-1 back to PVMS, this goal will be achieved.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-23 and DP 6-26 to make one precinct. This precinct will vote at Hammond High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 5298

District Precinct 6-21

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Long Reach High School along with DP 6-29. There were always two (2) ballot styles in this school. As a reference, this school used to house the most voters on election day for many years, which used to be, between the two precincts, almost 7000 voters. Some of this precinct was part of the 2022 Redistricting process, so it no longer holds the rank as the largest polling place in Howard County.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-29 to make one precinct. This precinct will continue to vote at Long Reach High School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 5597

District Precinct 6-27

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Forest Ridge Elementary School with DP 6-1. There were two (2) ballot styles in the school. Moving the voters around in this area to get most closer to their homes will result in moving this precinct.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-35 to make one precinct. The voters will vote at Murray Hill Middle School, which is where DP 6-35 has voted for years. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 6359

District Precinct 6-28

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Lime Kiln Middle School with DP 6-32. There were two ballot styles in the school.

Proposal- This precinct will be merged with DP 6-32 to make one precinct. The voters will continue to vote at Lime Kiln Middle School. There will be one (1) ballot style in this polling place.

Total Voters- 4672

District Precinct 6-31

History- In 2018 and 2022, this precinct voted at Jeffers Hill Elementary School. Because of a completely different set of political subdivisions than everything around it, this precinct is very hard to put with anything, and ends up as a stand-alone precinct.

Proposal- This precinct will continue to vote at Jeffers Hill Elementary School. There will be one (1) ballot style in the precinct.

Total Voters- 3132

District-Precincts 6-8, 6-9, 6-10, 6-16, 6-17, 6-18, 6-19, 6-22, 6-23, 6-24, 6-25, 6-26, 6-29, 6-30, 6-32, 6-33, 6-34, and 6-35 are all now merged into other District 6 Precincts as prescribed above and will no longer be shown in the list of precincts in Howard County. *Please note: All of these precincts were either formed because of old redistricting cuts that no longer exist, or splits that had to be made because of power restrictions from an old voting system. With a new voting system, and new Congressional, Legislative, and Councilmanic lines in place, these precinct lines have no viable reason to exist.*